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FOR: CRYSTAL MODIFICATION OF 1-(2,6-DIFLUOROBENZYL)-1H-
1,2,3-TRIAZOLE-4-CARBOXAMIDE AND ITS USE AS ANTIEPILEPTIC

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated October 13, 2000 finally rejecting Claims 1-9, 13, 14, 16-21, 26, 28, 30 and 31 (Claims 27 and 29 were withdrawn by the Examiner in said Office Action and cancelled by the Applicants in the Amendment Under 37 CFR 116 filed January 19, 2001).

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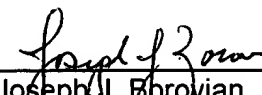
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